IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title:	CONFIGURATION OF A DIRECTORY SYSTEM

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION (RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT) DATED DECEMBER 24, 2008

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action (Restriction Requirement) dated December 24, 2008, in connection with the above-identified application, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Fees will be paid by credit card through the EFS Web; however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency of fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account Number 12-0769.